



# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 17

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

**Citations Affected:** Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

**Synopsis:** County officers. Repeals Article 6, Section 2 of the Indiana Constitution to remove county offices from the constitution. Makes changes in references to local offices. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

**Effective:** This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 8, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Local Government and Election.

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Second Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2008)

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana concerning local government.

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the  
2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred  
3 Fifteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred to  
4 the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.

5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 6, SECTION 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION  
6 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
7 FOLLOWS: Section 3. ~~Such other~~ County and ~~township~~ **local** officers  
8 as may be necessary, shall be elected, or appointed, in such manner as  
9 may be prescribed by law.

10 SECTION 3. ARTICLE 6, SECTION 6 OF THE CONSTITUTION  
11 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
12 FOLLOWS: Section 6. All county ~~township~~, and ~~town~~ **and local**  
13 officers, shall:

14 (1) reside within their respective ~~counties townships, and towns~~;

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1 ~~and shall~~ **political subdivisions;**

2 **(2) keep their** ~~respective offices at such places therein; in their~~  
3 **respective political subdivisions; and**

4 **(3) perform** such duties, as may be directed by law.

5 SECTION 4. ARTICLE 6, SECTION 8 OF THE CONSTITUTION  
6 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
7 FOLLOWS: Section 8. All State, county, ~~township,~~ and ~~town~~ **local**  
8 officers may be impeached, or removed from office, in such manner as  
9 may be prescribed by law.

10 SECTION 5. ARTICLE 6, SECTION 9 OF THE CONSTITUTION  
11 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
12 FOLLOWS: Section 9. Vacancies in county ~~township,~~ and ~~town~~ and  
13 **local** offices shall be filled in such manner as may be prescribed by  
14 law.

15 SECTION 6. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF  
16 INDIANA IS AMENDED BY STRIKING OUT ARTICLE 6,  
17 SECTION 2.

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